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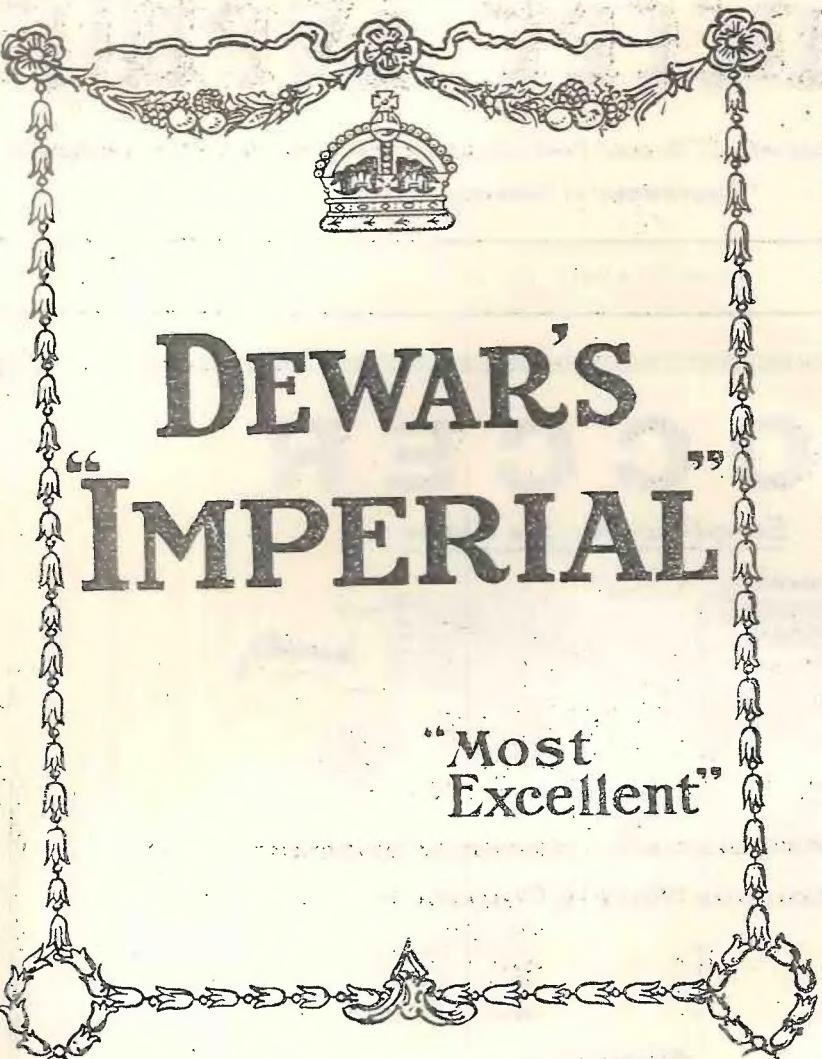
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By T. A. Langridge.

The visit of the British Service Squadron chimes in most auspiciously with the opening of the Football Season in Sydney, since it will bring to the Soccer grounds many hundreds of eager, enthusiastic and appreciative spectators from overseas, full of ardour for the game. The match against the

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Best Player
In Metropolitan Area.

Mr. H. Armstrong, Vice-President of the Metropolitan Association, and a member of the Protest and Disqualification Committee of both the New South Wales and Metropolitan Associations, has presented a medal valued at £2/2 for the best representative player in the Metropolis. The Metropolitan Selectors are to be the judges, and the players from the Metropolitan Area will be keenly watched in all "big" games in the Metropolis, New South Wales, or Australia. Mr. Armstrong is to be commended for his generosity.

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The work of the C.F.A. is made easy by reason of the propaganda work done by Australia Tours, Ltd., last year. The unknown quantity is West Australia, which was the only State not visited by the Chinese last season.

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The club delegates proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that the more efficient management of the game was really what they were aiming at.

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year will be spent in consolidating our position, so that we will be ready next year to face the visit of the Englishmen with every confidence.

WELCOME

The Soccer Code of New South Wales joins with all sections of the community in extending a hearty welcome to the Navy Squadron, and it is with the keenest anticipation and pleasure that we look forward, to-day, to meeting its men on the field as opponents—and friends.

Brief though their stay will be in Sydney, we hope to make it a happy one, and trust that their association with Soccer men here will be amongst their most pleasant recollections.

WILLIAM WILSON.

Sydney's Right Half is the African that has made good in the Metropolitan competitions. He is a native of Durban, South Africa, where he played centre half for the Star F.C. Wilson is 29 years of age, and weighs 10.10; it is anticipated that he will be one of Sydney's star players this year.

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Gladesville v. Sydney.
Granville v. Pyr Rangers.
Two Blues v. Fernleigh.
Gladstone v. Auburn.

Second Series.

Gladesville v. Pyr Rangers.
Sydney v. Fernleigh.
Granville v. Auburn.
Two Blues v. Gladstone.

Third Series.

Gladesville v. Fernleigh.
Pyr Rangers v. Auburn.
Sydney v. Gladstone.
Granville v. Two Blues.

Fourth Series.

Gladesville v. Auburn.
Fernleigh v. Gladstone.
Pyr Rangers v. Two Blues.
Sydney v. Granville.

Fifth Series.

Gladesville v. Gladstone.
Auburn v. Two Blues.
Fernleigh v. Granville.
Pyr Rangers v. Sydney.

Sixth Series.

Gladesville v. Two Blues.
Gladstone v. Granville.
Auburn v. Sydney.
Fernleigh v. Pyr Rangers.

Seventh Series.

Gladesville v. Granville.
Two Blues v. Sydney.
Bal. Gladstone v. Pyr Rangers.
Auburn v. Bal. Fernleigh.

Second Division of First Grade.**First Series.**

Lachlan Rangers v. St. George.
Pyrmont v. Leichhardt.
Rangers v. Canterbury.
Scottish v. West Sydney.

Second Series.

Lachlan Rangers v. Leichhardt.
St. George v. Canterbury.
Pyrmont v. West Sydney.
Rangers v. Bal. Scottish.

Third Series.

Lachlan Rangers v. Canterbury.
Leichhardt v. West Sydney.
St. George v. Scottish.
Pyrmont v. Rangers.

Fourth Series.

Lachlan Rngrs v. West Sydney.
Canterbury v. Scottish.
Leichhardt v. Rangers.
St. George v. Pyrmont.

Seventh Series.

Lachlan Rangers v. Pyrmont.
Rangers v. St. George.
Balmain Scottish v. Leichhardt.
West Sydney v. Canterbury.

Second Grade, "A" Division.**First Series.**

Bankstown v. Drummoyne.
Pyrmont v. Rozelle Albions.
West Sydney v. Fire Brigades.
Sunlight v. Ann. Altona.
Gladesville Hos. v. A.G.L. Coy.
Gladesville v. Camp. Thistle.
Lillyfield Rgs. the bye.

Second Series.

Bankstown v. Rozelle Albions.
Drummoyne v. Fire Brigade.
Pyrmont v. Ann. Altona.
West Sydney v. A.G.L. Coy.
Sunlight v. Camp Thistle.
Gladesville v. Lillyfield Rgs.
Gladesville Hos. the bye.

Third Series.

Bankstown v. Fire Brigades.
Rozelle Albions v. Ann. Altona.
Drummoyne v. A.G.L. Coy.
Pyrmont v. Camp Thistle.
Sunlight v. Lillyfield Rangers.
Gladesville Hos. v. Gladesville.
West Sydney the bye.

Fourth Series.

Bankstown v. Ann. Altona.
Fire Brigade v. A.G.L. Coy.
Rozelle Albion v. Camp Thistle.
Pyrmont v. Lillyfield Rangers.
West Sydney v. Gladesville.
Sunlight v. Gladesville Hos.
Drummoyne the bye.

Fifth Series.

Bankstown v. A.G.L. Coy.
Ann. Altona v. Camp Thistle.
Rozelle Albions v. Lillyfield Rgs.
Drummoyne v. Gladesville.
Pyrmont v. Gladesville Hos.
West Sydney v. Sunlight.
Fire Brigades the bye.

Sixth Series.

Bankstown v. Campsie Thistle.
Ann. Altona v. Lillyfield Rgs.
Fire Brigades v. Gladesville.
Rozelle Albions v. Gladesville
Hos.

Seventh Series.

Drummoyne v. Sunlight.
Pyrmont v. West Sydney.
A.G.L. Coy. the bye.

Camp Thistle v. Lillyfield Rgs.
A.G.L. Coy. v. Gladesville.
Ann. Altona v. Gladesville Hos.
Fire Brigade v. Sunlight.
Rozelle Albion v. West Sydney.
Drummoyne v. Pyrmont.

Ninth Series.

Bankstown v. Gladesville.
Lillyfield Rgs. v. Gladesville
Hospital.
Campsie Thistle v. West Sydney
A.G.L. Coy. v. Pyrmont.
Ann. Albions v. Drummoyne.
Fire Brigades v. Rozelle Albions.
Sunlight the bye.

Tenth Series.

Bankstown v. Gladesville Hos.
Gladesville v. Sunlight.
Lillyfield Rgs. v. West Sydney.
Campsie Thistle v. Drummoyne.
A.G.L. Coy. v. Rozelle Albions.
Ann. Altonas v. Fire Brigades.
Pyrmont the bye.

Eleventh Series.

Bankstown v. Sunlight.
Gladesville Hos. v. West Sydney
Gladesville v. Pyrmont.
Lillyfield Rgs. v. Drummoyne.
Campsie Thistle v. Fire Brigade
A.G.L. Coy. v. Ann. Altona.
Rozelle Albion the bye.

Twelfth Series.

Bankstown v. West Sydney.
Sunlight v. Pyrmont.
Gladesville Hos. v. Drummoyne.
Gladesville v. Rozelle Albions.
Lillyfield Rrs. v. Fire Brigade.
Campsie Thistle v. A.G.L. Coy.
Ann. Altona the bye.

Thirteenth Series.

Bankstown v. Pyrmont.
West Sydney v. Drummoyne.
Sunlight v. Rozelle Albion.
Gladesville Hos. v. Fire Brigade.
Gladesville v. Ann. Altona.
Lillyfield Rgs. v. A.G.L. Coy.
Campsie Thistle the bye.

"B" Division. First Series.

South Sydney v. Sydney.
Booralee Rov. v. Alexandria.
Botany Albions v. Newtown.
Burns' Club v. Garden Island.
Callan Park v. Manly.
N. Suburbs v. E. Suburbs.
Metters the bye.

Second Series.

South Sydney v. Alexandria.
Sydney v. Newtown.
Booralee Rov. v. Gar. Island.
Botany Albions v. Manly.
Burn's Club v. E. Suburbs.
Northern Suburbs v. Metters.
Callan Park the bye.

Third Series.

South Sydney v. Newtown.
Alexandria v. Garden Island.
Sydney v. Manly.
Booralee Rov. v. E. Suburbs.
Burns' Club v. Metters.

Fifth Series.

South Sydney v. Manly.
Garden Island v. E. Suburbs.
Alexandria v. Metters.
Sydney v. Northern Suburbs.
Booralee Rovers v. Callan Park.
Botany Albions v. Burns' Club.
Newtown the bye.

Sixth Series.

South Sydney v. East. Suburbs.
Garden Island v. Metters.
Newtown v. Northern Suburbs.
Alexandria v. Callan Park.
Sydney v. Burns' Club.
Booralee Rov. v Botany Albions
Manly the bye.

Seventh Series.

Eastern Suburbs v. Metters.
Manly v. Northern Suburbs.
Garden Island v. Callan Park.
Newtown v. Burns' Club.
Alexandria v. Botany Albions.
Sydney v. Booralee Rovers.
South Sydney the bye.

Eighth Series.

South Sydney v. Metters.
East. Suburbs v. Callan Park.
Manly v. Burns' Club.
Garden Island v. Botany Albions.
Newtown v. Booralee Rovers.
Alexandria v. Sydney.
Northern Suburbs the bye.

Ninth Series.

South Sydney v. N. Suburbs.
Metters v. Callan Park.
E. Suburbs v. Botany Albions.
Manly v. Booralee Rovers.
Garden Island v. Sydney.
Newtown v. Alexandria.
Burns' Club the bye.

Tenth Series.

South Sydney v. Callan Park.
N. Suburbs v. Burns' Club.
Metters v. Botany Albions.
Eastern Suburbs v. Sydney.
Manly v. Alexandria.
Garden Island v. Newtown.
Booralee Rovers the bye.

Eleventh Series.

South Sydney v. Burns' Club.
Callan Park v. Botany Albions.
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Alexandria the bye.

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N. Suburbs v. Garden Isl.
Metters v. Manly.
East Suburbs the bye.

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Sunlight v. Ann. Altona.
Gladesville Hos. v. A.G.L. Coy.
Gladesville v. Camp. Thistle.
Lillyfield Rgs. the bye.

Second Series.

Bankstown v. Rozelle Albions.
Drummoyne v. Fire Brigade.
Pyrmont v. Ann. Altona.
West Sydney v. A.G.L. Coy.
Sunlight v. Camp Thistle.
Gladesville v. Lillyfield Rgs.
Gladesville Hos. the bye.

Third Series.

Bankstown v. Fire Brigades.
Rozelle Albions v. Ann. Altona.
Drummoyne v. A.G.L. Coy.
Pyrmont v. Camp Thistle.
Sunlight v. Lillyfield Rangers.
Gladesville Hos. v. Gladesville.
West Sydney the bye.

Fourth Series.

Bankstown v. Ann. Altona.
Fire Brigade v. A.G.L. Coy.
Rozelle Albion v. Camp Thistle.
Pyrmont v. Lillyfield Rangers.
West Sydney v. Gladesville.
Sunlight v. Gladesville Hos.
Drummoyne the bye.

Fifth Series.

Bankstown v. A.G.L. Coy.
Ann. Altona v. Camp Thistle.
Rozelle Albions v. Lillyfield Rgs.
Drummoyne v. Gladesville.
Pyrmont v. Gladesville Hos.
West Sydney v. Sunlight.
Fire Brigades the bye.

Sixth Series.

Bankstown v. Campsie Thistle.
Ann. Altona v. Lillyfield Rgs.
Fire Brigades v. Gladesville.
Rozelle Albions v. Gladesville
Hos.
Drummoyne v. Sunlight.
Pyrmont v. West Sydney.
A.G.L. Coy. the bye.

Seventh Series.

Camp Thistle v. Lillyfield Rgs.
A.G.L. Coy. v. Gladesville.
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Bankstown the bye.

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Ann. Altonas v. Fire Brigades.
Pyrmont the bye.

Eleventh Series.

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Gladesville Hos. v. West Sydney
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A.G.L. Coy. v. Ann. Altona.
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Gladesville v. Rozelle Albions.
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Campsie Thistle v. A.G.L. Coy.
Ann. Altona the bye.

Thirteenth Series.

Bankstown v. Pyrmont.
West Sydney v. Drummoyne.
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N. Suburbs v. E. Suburbs.
Metters the bye.

Second Series.

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Botany Albions v. Manly.
Burn's Club v. E. Suburbs.
Northern Suburbs v. Metters.
Callan Park the bye.

Third Series.

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Alexandria v. Garden Island.
Sydney v. Manly.
Booralee Rov. v. E. Suburbs.
Burns' Club v. Metters.
Callan Park v. North. Suburbs.
Botany Albions the bye.

Fourth Series.

South Sydney v. Garden Island.
Newtown v. Manly.
Alexandria v. Eastern Suburbs.
Botany Albions v. N. Suburbs.
Burns' Club v. Callan Park.
Sydney the bye.

Booralee Rovers v. Callan Park
Botany Albions v. Burns' Club.
Newtown the bye.

Sixth Series.

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Garden Island v. Metters.
Newtown v. Northern Suburbs.
Alexandria v. Callan Park.
Sydney v. Burns' Club.
Booralee Rov. v Botany Albions
Manly the bye.

Seventh Series.

Eastern Suburbs v. Metters.
Manly v. Northern Suburbs.
Garden Island v. Callan Park.
Newtown v. Burns' Club.
Alexandria v. Botany Albions.
Sydney v. Booralee Rovers.
South Sydney the bye.

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Manly v. Burns' Club.
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Burns' Club v. Booralee Rovers.
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N. Suburbs v. Alexandria.
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THOROUGHLY REPRESENTATIVE TEAM.

Arrive Sydney May 3rd.

The Canadians arrive in Sydney on May 3rd, by the s.s. "Niagara," and will play their first game on the 10th against the Metropolis.

The team is a thoroughly representative one, and as the standard of play in Canada is reported to be on a par with that of an average British combination, we should see some good football.

Mr. James Adam, representative of British Columbia on the Canadian Football Association, has been appointed manager of the team, which consists of sixteen players and a trainer.

The selected players are as follows:—Goal: H. Mosher (Vancouver); full backs: G. Anderson, M. McLean, H. C. Noseworthy; halves, H. Chapman, F. Dierden, J. Wilson, J. G. Armstrong, R. Stobart; forwards: G. Forest, R. W. Harley, L. Ford, F. Bowman, W. Dinning, L. Sanford, J. Hood; trainer, D. Morrison.

Strong Side.

From the descriptions forwarded these players constitute a powerful combination, and this is borne out by Mr. Sam Davidson, hon. secretary of the Canadian Association, who is confident that his team will worthily represent our sister Dominion.

The goalkeeper, H. Mosher, is recognised as the best keeper in Canada, and in Vancouver, especially, where he hails from, followers of the round-ball game easily give him pride of place.

H. McLean is described as the best left back in Calgary, while G. Anderson is stated to be the best back in British Columbia.

H. C. Noseworthy is the utility man, and can do well at either back or goalkeeper, and is highly recommended.

J. G. Armstrong is the best right half in Vancouver, while F. Dierden, the "star" half of the side, is the best man in Canada, who was put in at the late minute, and will be a star in the tour.

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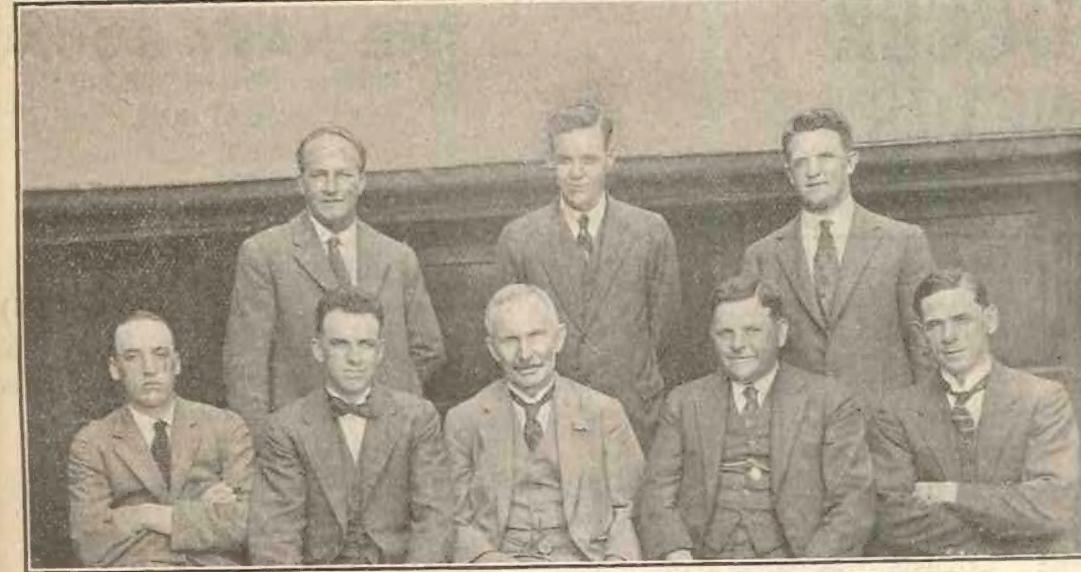
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Exhibitions given by Goalkeeper Bailey will be remembered by

those who witnessed them in the 1920-21 seasons, when he played for Canterbury.

H. Fitzpatrick is a splendid inside-forward, of a quiet disposition, and in the short time he has been with Sydney, has made a name for himself.

J. Crum's abilities are well-known to Soccer followers, and of late he has paid a lot of attention to training.

The club's headquarters are—c/o. the Langridge School of Physical Culture, 380 George Street, Sydney; phone B 4578, where all correspondence may be addressed. Mr. Langridge is the President of the Club, and is a keen and enthusiastic worker.

Officers of the Club are:—President, T. A. Langridge; Hon. General Secretary, V. Paling; Hon. Secretary, 1st Team, T. Bessey; Hon. Secretary, 2nd Team, S. J. Kelly; Hon. Secretary All Age Juniors, H. Chesworth; Hon. Treasurer, H. J. Sherrington.

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WENTWORK, 3.15 p.m.

THE NAVY SQUADRON. THE METROPOLIS

Referee: Mr. W. WRIGHT.

THE NAVY SQUADRON.

(Dark Blue.)

Goalkeeper:

PARSONS (Hood).

Full Backs:

1—COPE (Repulse) 2—BURKE (Hood)

Halves:

3—SELLEN (Repulse) 4—BENSON (Capt.) (Repulse)
5—ANDREWS (Hood).

Forwards:

6—WILCOX (Danae) 10—GLYNN (Delhi)
7—COX (Hood) 9—MILLS (Repulse)

8—ROBERTS (Repulse).

Linesmen: Messrs. Kerr and Skelly.
METROPOLIS.

(Black and Red Stripes).

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G. CARTWRIGHT.

Full Backs:

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11—Noad 12—McCarron.

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(Red and Black Stripes)

Goalkeeper:

T. GILLIGAN (M.J.F.A.)

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THE ENTRANTS.

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As in 1923, three grades will be conducted, Second and Third Grades being each divided into two divisions.

Looking at the appended list of teams, one is struck by the number of old timers missing—Dulwich Hill, Baptist B, Alexandria Congs. A., and St. Bedes' have all entered the ranks of M.S.F.A. One of our teams in 1922, Lachlan Rangers A, entered the Seniors in 1923, and carried all before them. It is to be hoped that the teams going up this time will not lower the prestige of the Churches. Members of Lakemba Meth. are going to try their luck with M.J.F.A., while St. Anne's are entering the newly-formed Ryde Association. Ryde Meth. are also entering a team in this competition.

The P.C.S.F. Association would like to take this opportunity of wishing the Ryde Association every success during its initial season.

Whereas St. John's, Balmain, Drummoyne Baptists, Alexandria Mission, Botany Methodists, Newtown Congs., and Croydon Congs. had only one team each in 1923, this season they have all entered two teams. The officials of these clubs deserve great praise, for it is due to them that the round ball game is going ahead with such leaps and bounds. We are also pleased to welcome Enmore Tabernacle back to the fold again this year. St. Luke's, St. Columis, St. Stephen's, Kingston, Canterbury Meth., and Annandale Mts. are all new teams, to whom we extend a hearty welcome. Annandale Meth. owe their existence to E. Morgan, who in the past has been one of St. Aidan's mainstays. Ecta has been trying for years to form a club at the

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ILLAWARRA TEAM.

Playing Navy No. 2 To-day.

Goal: J. Boyle (Woonona); backs: P. Hunter (Balgownie), H. Stewart, vice-captain (Caledale); half backs, W. Johnston (Balgownie), H. Cunningham (Woonona), A. Druery (Corimal); forwards: R. Shand (Corimal), T. Green (Caledale), J. Masters, captain (Balgownie), J. R. Gibson (Caledale), T. Thompson (Balgownie); reserves: G. Richardson, J. Muir, S. Learmonth, and D. Ward.

Criticism.

The South Coast "Times" this week is full of letters of criticism against the selection of the above team.

J. Muir, who has been selected as a reserve is preferred to Hunter; Davy Ward, who represented for Australia in New Zealand in 1922, is contended to be a better man than Green; D. Jones, although nearing the veteran stage is argued to be much better than Cunningham, while E. Jarrett is preferred in some quarters to W.

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stone Park Meth., Lakemba Congs.
B., St. Aidan's B., Annandale
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terbury Meth., St. John's Glebe.

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Fees:—First Grade, 11/- per
team; other Grade, 8/3 per team.
The standard is the same in the
whole of the Second Grade, also
in the whole of Third Grade. The
Divisions are only for the con-
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petitions will commence on 26th
April. Two full rounds will be
played in each division. The
draw for the First Round will be
available on 22.4.24.

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Up to the present the following
playing areas have been secured:

Wardell Road, Nos. 1, 2, and
3. Take Dulwich Hill tram or
train to reach these grounds.

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Park from the Cleveland Street
entrance, while No. 2 is adjacent
to the Refreshment Kiosk.

The Flat. Take the Haberfield
tram to Hawthorne Par., Cook's
River, Nos. 1 and 2, are just at
the left of Cook's River tram ter-
minus.

Botany. Take Botany tram to
Bundy; ask for Boralee Park.

Hurlstone Park. Take train to
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MOONLIGHT EXCURSION.

Secretaries are reminded that
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more) Soccer News forwarded
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Soul's, Leichhardt, every Tues-
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ILLAWARRA TEAM.

Playing Navy No. 2 To-day.

Goal: J. Boyle (Woonona);
backs: P. Hunter (Balgownie),
H. Stewart, vice-captain (Cole-
dale); half backs, W. Johnston
(Balgownie), H. Cunningham
(Woonona). A. Druery (Corri-
mal); forwards: R. Shand (Cor-
rimal), T. Green (Coledale), J.
Masters, captain (Balgownie). J.
R. Gibson (Coledale), T. Thomp-
son (Balgownie); reserves: G.
Richardson, J. Muir, S. Lear-
mouth, and D. Ward.

Criticism.

The South Coast "Times" this
week is full of letters of criticism
against the selection of the above
team.

J. Muir, who has been selected
as a reserve is preferred to Hun-
ter; Davy Ward, who represented
for Australia in New Zealand in
1922, is contended to be a better
man than Green; D. Jones, al-
though nearing the veteran stage
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Johnstone.

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CLUB SECRETARIES, CORRESPONDENTS, AND OTHERS.

Gentlemen.—

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Success is largely dependent on giving our readers news that is both reliable and
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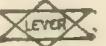
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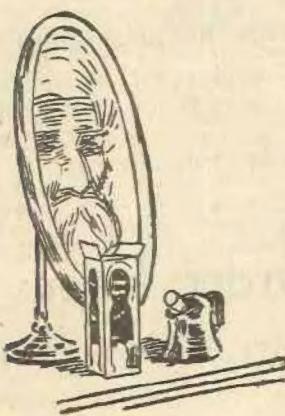
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A successful career lies ahead of the popular William.

Bentley Hyslop, re-elected Hon. Secretary for the third year, can always be relied on to be there at the right moment.

Ben is also Secretary of the Brotherhood and the Granville Agricultural Society. All very important positions, and the question is often asked where he gets his energy from.

More next issue.

THE REFEREES.

Should Be Satisfied.

There has been a big difference of opinion in recent years as to whether the Referees' Association or nominees of the Management Committee should appoint referees. This year it was laid down that Referees would be appointed by a board consisting of two representatives of the Management Committee, and one representative of the Referees' Association.

Trouble was immediately foreshadowed. The Referees' Association held over the naming of its representative until the M.C. have selected its representatives. These were found to be Messrs. Black and Macdougall. Mr. Black has been a member of the appointment Board, representing the referees for a number of years, while Mr. Macdougall was a member of the Referees' Association last year. The Referees appreciating the generous spirit of the members of M.C. have elected Mr. Peaty as their representative on the Appointment Board. So that we see three men, all interested in the art of refereeing, and all members of the Metropolitan Management Committee on the Appointment Board, which is surely a happy ending, to what has been an unseemly squabble.

Abbreviated Laws of the Game

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HISTORIC EVENTS.

(By J. McDougall).

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Northern Districts.—P. Lennard, W. Mauder, J. Gilmore, R. Austin, E. Owen, P. Doyle, T. Oliver, L. Bailey, A. Creighton.

Illawarra District.—T. Thompson, J. Masters.

Queensland.—C. Gedge, J. Love, A. Gibb, J. White, W. Mitchell, Burton, J. Peebles, J. Hamilton, G. Harris, W. Robertson.

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In issuing the badges to the affiliated Association for presentation to the winners, a request was made that the players be strongly urged to have the badge sewn on their club football jerseys on the front left-hand side, breast high. In the case where a player has won more than one badge, the latest one to be worn, and the Australian badge to be worn in preference to the N.S.W. badge.

Metropolitan Soccer Football Association

M.S.F.A.'s Players' Insurance Fund

(Inaugurated 1922.)

RULES and BY-LAWS

1. The Metropolitan Soccer Football Association hereby inaugurates an Insurance Fund for the monetary assistance of players injured whilst playing, as hereinafter provided.

2. Claims will only be considered from duly registered players on books of the Metropolitan Soccer Football Association, injured whilst playing in games sanctioned by the aforesaid Association, and/or the New South Wales Soccer Football Association; the fund not to apply to competitions controlled by any other Association.

3. On inauguration, the M.S.F. Association shall subsidise the Fund to the extent of a fifty pounds (£50) donation.

4. Claimant must make personal report of accident to Management Committee of that Association not later than the Monday following such accident, and at the same time hand in written report, endorsed by the Captain and Hon. Secretary or officer of the Club, and accompanied by a medical certificate. In the event of the player being unable, through being incapacitated, to personally report to the Management Committee same is to be notified, when written report may be accepted from claimant or from some person with his (claimant's) authority and on his behalf.

5. No claim will be allowed where player takes part in any game, within eight (8) days after receiving injury, for which claim is made. The fund shall be administered by the Management Committee, who shall all be the Trustees of the Fund. Subscription shall be five shillings (5/-) per player per season (as understood by the M.S.F.A.), entitling a player to an allowance of one pound (£1) per week, or ten shillings (10/-) per player per season, entitling him to a two pounds (£2) per week allowance. No player shall be allowed to subscribe more than ten shillings (10/-).

6. Allowances will not be made to any one player for more than thirteen (13) weeks in all in any one season.

7. In the event of claims at any time absorbing all income, further benefits shall cease, and members subscribe on this understanding.

8. Any claimant claiming allowance for any period beyond one week, shall produce a renewed or further medical certificate, which, in the view of the Management Committee, justifies a further allowance, and so on from week to week.

Amount remaining at credit of fund at end of last year, £44/12/1.

POETS ON FOOTBALL.

New Versions of Old Verse.

Ben Jonson.

Wink to me only with thine eyes
And I will wink with mine,
Or slip the ball across to me
And I'll sprint down the line;
The shot that from my sole doth
rise

Should land quite near to thine,
But if you put it o'er the bar,
I will not start to whine.

It came unknown, and few can
know

The weight it seemed to be;
It hit me on the ear, and oh,
The difference to me!

Omar Khayyam.

The ball no notice takes of cries
and "ohs!"

But trundles merrily at the
players' toes,

But he who stands around and
shouts advice,
He knows about it all—He
knows—HE KNOWS!

Beyond this game of groans and
cheers
Looms but the anger of the
crowd,

As yet the thunder of their jeers
Tells me my goal has been
allowed.

HINTS FOR CLUB SECRETARIES.

- (1) All protests must be in writing, and in duplicate, and lodged with 10/- fee within two days.
- (2) See that your club always has a ball available.
- (3) See that your players take

William Wordsworth.

(A Goalkeeper Laments.)

W. E. Henley.

Out of the fight that smothers me,



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